

HB1005,HD2,SD1

Testimony



**TESTIMONY OF
THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE, 2011**

ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE:

H.B. NO. 1005, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, RELATING TO CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT.

BEFORE THE:

SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR

DATE: Thursday, March 31, 2011 **TIME:** 9:45 a.m.

LOCATION: State Capitol, Room 016

TESTIFIER(S): David M. Louie, Attorney General, or
Garry L. Kemp, Administrator, Child Support
Enforcement Agency

Chair Hee and Members of the Committee:

The Department of the Attorney General supports this bill.

The provisions of this bill amend various sections of the Hawaii Revised Statutes in order to bring the Child Support Enforcement Agency into compliance with recent federal law.

Recent amendments made to federal regulations require that all states provide Title IV-D services to tribal IV-D agencies and foreign countries as defined under federal regulations. Failure to comply with this federal requirement would jeopardize federal funding of the Child Support Enforcement Agency and federal funding for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) programs. Compliance with these new requirements, therefore, is necessary to maintain eligibility for federal funding.

We respectfully ask the Committee to pass this bill.